

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, lines 9-14 as follows:

In the art of respiration devices, there are a well known variety of respiratory masks which cover the nose and/or mouth of a human user in order to provide a continuous seal around the nasal and/or oral areas of the user's face such that gas may be provided at positive pressure within the mask for consumption by the user. The uses for such masks range from high altitude breathing (i.e., aviation applications) to mining and fire fighting applications, to various medical diagnostic and therapeutic applications.

Please add the paragraphs to page 2, after line 8 as follows:

In another aspect the invention can be said to broadly consist of a device for delivering a supply of gases to a user comprising or including:

an interface including a hollow body, a gases inlet and a sealing member configured to in use rest against the face of a user, adapted in use to supply gases to said user,

a conduit supplying said gases to said interface, said conduit attached to an inlet to said hollow body, and

headgear adapted to attach to said interface and around the head of said user,

where said conduit includes at least one angular adjustment mechanism to allow for angular adjustment of said interface, and

a sling connected to said headgear, said sling to connect to and support said conduit.

In a further aspect the invention can be said to broadly consist of a device for delivering a supply of gases to a user comprising or including:

an interface including a hollow body, a gases inlet and a sealing member configured to in use rest against the face of a user, adapted in use to supply gases to said user,

a conduit supplying said gases to said interface, said conduit attached to an inlet to said hollow body,

a headgear adapted to attach to said interface and around the head of said user, and a support strap attached to said headgear, said support strap forming a loop to connect to and support said conduit.

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, lines 8-15 as follows:

FIG. 11 shows a mask 2 and headgear 93 that has a similar loop to that of FIG. ~~11~~ 10. The headgear 93 has an additional strap 95 extending between each side of the upper strap 94 of the headgear 93. Included on the additional strap 95 is a loop 96 of material (for example a loop of similar material to the headgear is sown to the strap 95) that the flexible tubing 24 and inspiratory conduit 3 are threaded through to restrain them. In FIG. 11 the flexible tubing 24 and inspiratory conduit 3 are shown disconnected, in use, the tubing and conduit would be connected after the tubing 24 is threaded through the loop 96.

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 12, line 21 and ending on page 13, line 8 as follows:

In the embodiment described above of the present invention the mask 110 is adjustable on a user's face in more than one direction. Firstly, referring to FIGS. 13, 20 and 21 the vertical position of the mask 110 can be adjusted, such that the distance between the headgear 115 and

the mask 110 may be increased or decreased to enable custom fitting to a user. Extending from the mask gases inlet 112 is a cylindrical inlet conduit 121 that attaches (in a fixed or releasable manner) to the inspiratory conduit 114. The inlet conduit 121 is substantially restrained against the forward rigid part 135 of the headgear 115 by a housing 122. The inlet conduit 121 extends through the housing ~~112~~ 122 and is capable of sliding through the housing 122. The housing 122 is a substantially cylindrical extension extending from the headgear 115 that has been glued, welded or similarly fastened to, or integrally moulded with the forward substantially rigid part 135 of the headgear 115. The inlet conduit 121 has a series of detents 123 formed along its length that interact with an inner protrusion extending from the inside of the housing 122. To disengage the protrusion from any one of the detents 123 the housing 122 may be squeezed at its sides, in regions 124 and 125, thereby deforming the housing 122 and causing the protrusion to move out of the detent it was fitted in. To adjust the height of the mask 110 a user or caregiver may simply place an upward or downward pressure on the mask 110 and simultaneously squeeze the sides of the housing 122. The inlet conduit 121 may then be slid up or down within the housing 122 until an appropriate position is found, then the sides of the housing 122 are released, causing the protrusion to enter an appropriate detent. The inlet conduit 121 is thus effectively locked in that position by the protrusion and detent interaction.

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 13, line 28 and ending on page 13, line 8 as follows:

FIGS. 17, 18 and 19 show the movement of the mask 110 in relation to a user 134. In FIG. 17 shows an axis 132 through the mask 110 is shown to be at an angle θ to a straight line

133 drawn extending from the chin of the user 134. In FIG. 18 the mask 110 has been altered to sit differently on the user 134. Firstly the first joint 127 has been swivelled back in the direction of arrow C and the second joint 126 swivelled forward, such that the mask 110 moves down and out in the directions of arrows D and E respectively. Therefore, the angle between the line 133 and 132 has changed to angle β which is larger than angle θ . In FIG. 19 the mask 110 has been altered to sit yet different again on the user's face 134. The first joint 126 has been swivelled forward in the direction of arrow F and the second joint 126 swivelled back towards the user's face, such that the mask 110 moves back and upwards in the directions of arrows G and H respectively. The angle α between the line 133 and 132 is now a negative angle compared to that in FIGS. 17 and 18.